

Drug Policy Advisory Council Meeting
May 13, 2010
Minutes

Voting Council Members Present: Chairman Gary Kendell, Katrina Carter-Larson, Cyndy Erickson, Kevin Frampton, Richard Doyle, Paul Stageberg, Kathy Stone, Eric Snyder, David Lorenzen, Jane Larkin, Chris Wilson, Brian Vos, Jennifer Davis, Vern Armstrong

Non-Voting Members Present: Col. Michael Jensen

Staff: Becky Swift, Susie Sher, Terry Graham and Dennis Wiggins.

Welcome and introductions

Chairman Kendell called the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Council members introduced themselves.

The minutes of the February 11, 2010, meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.

DPAC Priority Issues Discussion

DPAC members were provided a list of issues that had been submitted by members via e-mail prior to the meeting. This list was reviewed, with similar issues being combined, and additional issues were added. Council members then voted on their top three issues. The votes were tallied with the top issues being:

1. Need for a more coordinated/comprehensive approach to at least one issue in the Strategy – Change acceptance/perception of ATOD issues at the community level
2. Stabilize or increase funding across the spectrum
3. Underage drinking and binge drinking by youth and adults
4. Continued support of quality drug prevention efforts (in schools, community rural areas, etc.)

Following this, the members broke into small groups to discuss the priority issues and to consider the following questions or statements while doing so:

1. Under which Result Area does the issue best fit?
2. What role can those in your agency/association/discipline play in addressing this issue?
3. What current programs are in place to address this issue?
4. What data related to this issue is readily available?
5. How does this issue relate to the National Drug Control Strategy?
6. Indicators currently in the Results and Indicator Section of the Strategy that need to be removed or modified
7. Additions or deletions from the “What Works” list following the indicators
8. Changes to the Current or 2-10 Year Strategies associated with each indicator.
9. Review the Recommendations Section for items that need to be changed in the 2011 Strategy.

The groups reported on their discussions with most focusing on an issue on which the Council could coordinate efforts or on how the top priorities fit within the current structure of the Drug Control Strategy. The small group discussion overview can be found at the end of this document.

The Council will continue the priority discussion at the August meeting.

Agency/Association Updates

Council members provided brief updates about their agencies or associations.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held August 12, 2010, with meeting location to be announced.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Becky Swift". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Becky Swift

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Small Group Discussion Overview

Group 1

All Priorities revolved around community readiness and communication

- Issues would be addressed based on community readiness and identified issues
- Educate community leaders/schools to help address the issues
- Continue to encourage education/prevention
- Communities committed to a long-term plan
- Focus more community-based might help with funding
- Unified approach to funding – joint applications for example

Group 2

Focus on one issue related to a priority area – underage and binge drinking

- Social Host legislation – have data available, tool kit that could be used in communities, cross agency involvement. All agencies would agree to support this.
- Coordinated comprehensive strategy - role for all DPAC members
- Legislative priority issue – all support – all dedicate resources- gives communities direction
- Organize/rally – less about issue, more about coordination

Group 3

Choose a specific focus area within the priorities

- Alcohol/beer tax be raised to specifically support prevention, treatment, and other programs – not into general fund
- Everyone behind a bill to help raise the issue
- Identify specific programs that would be funded by the dollars raised
- DPAC would have a role in determining what programs would be funded – or the funds would be allocated for a specific issue and divided between the groups so that they could work on projects

Group 4

Priority 1 fits with Result 1 –

- Law enforcement could support educational programs – an ounce of prevention
- Corrections could expand programs such as Strengthening Families as intervention

- ODCP – lead discussion, push media attention to the change, facilitate community coalitions and others by being a conduit, etc. Funding, partner with other organizations, PDFI
- No data directly related to social acceptance – maybe community coalitions would have some; would have to use currently available data
- Fits with first National strategy

Priority 2 fits all Result areas

- More discussions with constituents about talking to legislators
- More cohesion, using the same language
- Budgets are available as a data source
- Applies to all issues in National strategy

Priority 4 is a subset of Priority 1 and Priority 3 is a subset of Priority 4